

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

1-28. (Canceled)

29. (New) An information storage medium for storing audio information and image information, comprising:

a data area configured to store the audio information and the image information; and

a management area configured to store management information of the audio information and the image information, the management information including first management information and second management information, wherein

the first management information includes sequence information regarding a display sequence of still images of the image information and timing information regarding a display timing of the still images,

the second management information includes numeral information describing a number status of the still images,

the management information of the image information includes plural sets of management information items, and

each set of the management information items is configured to contain said numeral information.

30. (New) The medium of claim 29, wherein the management information provides a functionality with respect to the audio or image information such that when processed by a medium access device or apparatus, the audio or image information is managed and processed according to the management information.

31. (New) A method for recording audio information and image information on an information storage medium which comprises a data area configured to store the audio information and the image information and a management area configured to store the management information of the audio information and the image information, the management information including first management information and second management information, wherein the first management information includes sequence information regarding a display sequence of still images of the image information and timing information regarding a display timing of the still images, the second management information includes numeral information describing a number status of the still images, the management information of the image information includes plural sets of management information items, and each set of the management information items is configured to contain said numeral information, said method comprising:

recording at least one of the audio information and the image information on the data area; and

recording management information of the audio information on the management area.

32. (New) A method for reproducing audio information and image information from an information storage medium which comprises a data area configured to store the audio information and the image information; and a management area configured to store the management information of the audio information and the image information, the management information including first management information and second management information, wherein the first management information includes sequence information regarding a display sequence of still images of the image information and timing information regarding a display timing of the still images, the second management information includes numeral information describing a number status of the still images, the management information of the image information includes plural sets of management information items, and each set of the management information items is configured to contain said numeral information, said method comprising:

reproducing management information from the management area; and
reproducing at least one of the audio information and the image information from the data area.

33. (New) An apparatus for recording audio information and image information on an information storage medium which comprises a data area configured to store the audio information and the image information, and a management area configured to store management information of the audio information and the image information, the management information including first management information and second management information, wherein the first management information includes sequence information regarding a display sequence of still images of the image information and

timing information regarding a display timing of the still images, the second management information includes numeral information describing a number status of the still images, the management information of the image information includes plural sets of the management information items, and each set of the management information items is configured to contain said numeral information, said apparatus comprising:

- an audio encoder configured to encode an audio input to generate encoded audio information;

- a first recorder configured to record at least one of the encoded audio information and the image information on the data area; and

- a second recorder configured to record the management information on the management area.

34. (New) An apparatus for reproducing audio information and image information from an information storage medium which comprises a data area configured to store the audio information and the image information, and a management area configured to store management information of the audio information and the image information, the management information including first management information and second management information, wherein the first management information includes sequence information regarding a display sequence of still images of the image information and timing information regarding a display timing of the still images, the second management information includes numeral information describing a number status of the still images, the management information of the image information includes

plural sets of management information items, and each set of the management information items is configured to contain said numeral information, said apparatus comprising:

a first reproducer configured to reproduce the management information of the audio information from the management area;

a second reproducer configured to reproduce at least one of the audio information and the image information from the data area;

an audio decoder configured to decode the audio information reproduced by the second reproducer; and

an image decoder configured to decode the image information reproduced by the second reproducer.

35. (New) The apparatus of claim 34, further comprising:

an image display section configured to display contents of the image information decoded by the image decoder.

36. (New) A semiconductor memory device for storing audio information and image information, comprising:

a data area configured to store the audio information and the image information; and

a management area configured to store management information of the audio information and the image information, wherein

the management information of the image information includes plural sets of management information items, and

each set of the management information items is configured to contain numeral information describing a number status of still images.

37. (New) A method for recording the audio and image information on the semiconductor memory device as defined in claim 36, said method comprising:

recording at least one of the audio information and the image information on the data area; and

recording the management information on the management area.

38. (New) A method for reproducing the audio and image information from the semiconductor memory device as defined in claim 36, said method comprising:

reproducing the management information from the management area; and

reproducing at least one of the audio information and the image information from the data area.